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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Reconnaissance Office

SUBJECT : Imagery Interpretation Facilities Review

REFERENCE : Terms of Reference for the Ad Hoc Imagery
Interpretation Review Group, 9 October 1965

1. The Secretary of Defense and the Director of Central Intelligence have issued the reference document (attached) establishing an Ad Hoc Imagery Interpretation Review Group to survey the imagery interpretation facilities of the intelligence community and to recommend measures for improving utilization and development of these resources in satisfying near- and long-term intelligence needs. Lt. General Joseph F. Carroll and the undersigned have been designated as the Senior Representatives of the Secretary of Defense and the Director of Central Intelligence, respectively, in the conduct of the survey. Separate teams of qualified individuals have been designated to survey those facilities serving the national and the departmental requirements.

2. In order to obtain information leading toward a determination of future imagery interpretation workloads, both the national and departmental survey teams will require access to data available on imagery reconnaissance systems now in development or being planned for development within the next ten years. These would include both aircraft and satellite systems, black and white and color photographic systems, [redacted] and perhaps other future imagery systems of which we are not aware. We anticipate that the group will require data on resolution, area coverage, film type and format, retrieval method, mission duration, estimated number of missions per year, and any other factors which you believe may bear on interpretation workloads.

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3. It is requested that arrangements be made to provide the teams with the above information as soon as feasible in the form of briefings and supporting memoranda. You may wish to name an individual in your organization to serve as a point of contact for the survey teams and to provide follow-on assistance to them as necessary.

4. It is further requested that team members, names and clearance status attached, be granted additional clearances needed for access to the information on pertinent systems.

5. General Carroll concurs in the above requests.

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Major General, USAF
AD/DCI/NIPE

Attachments:

1. Terms of Reference, [REDACTED]
2. Names and clearance status

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